Hazardous Chemicals in Laboratories

requirements contained in the approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.


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providing required information to the physician; obtaining the physician’s written opinion using proper respiratory equipment and establishing, maintaining, transferring, and disclosing exposure-monitoring and medical records. These collection-of-information requirements, including the CHP, control employee overexposure to hazardous laboratory chemicals, thereby preventing serious illnesses and death among employees exposed to such chemicals.

III. Special Issues for Comment

OSHA has a particular interest in comments on the following issues:

—Whether the proposed information collection requirements are necessary for the proper performance of the Agency’s functions, including whether the information is useful;
—The accuracy of OSHA’s estimate of the burden (time and costs) of the information collection requirements, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
—The quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and
—Ways to minimize the burden on employers who must comply; for example, by using automated or other technological information collection and transmission techniques.

IV. Proposed Actions

OSHA is proposing to extend the information collection requirements in the Hazardous Chemicals in Laboratories standard (29 CFR part 1910.1450). The Agency will summarize the comments submitted in response to this notice and will include this summary in its request to OMB to extend the approval of these information collection requirements contained in the Standard.

Type of Review: Extension of currently approved information collection requirements.

Title: Hazardous Chemicals in Laboratories (29 CFR 1910.1450).

OMB Number: 1218–0131.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit; not-for-profit institutions; Federal government; State, local, or tribal governments.

Number of Respondents: 43,300.

Frequency of Response: Annually; monthly; occasionally.

Average Time per Response: Varies from five minutes (.08 hour) for a variety of requirements (e.g., for an office clerk to develop and post exposure-monitoring results) to eight (8) hours for an employer to develop a Chemical Hygiene Plan.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 270,636.

Estimated Cost (Operation and Maintenance): $32,613,952.

V. Authority and Signature

John L. Henshaw, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, directed the preparation of this notice. The authority for this notice is the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506 et seq.), and Secretary of Labor’s Order No. 5–2002 (67 FR 65008).

Dated: Signed at Washington, DC, on December 17, 2004.

John L. Henshaw,
Assistant Secretary of Labor

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

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Subpart R (“Steel Erection”): Extension of the Office of Management and Budget’s (OMB) Approval of Information Collection (Paperwork) Requirements

AGENCY: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Labor.

ACTION: Request for comment.

SUMMARY: OSHA solicits comments concerning its proposal to extend OMB approval of the information collection requirements contained in Subpart R of 29 CFR part 1926 (“Steel Erection”). This Subpart requires employers to: Notify designated parties, especially steel erectors, that building materials, components, steel structures, and fall-protection equipment are safe for specific uses; and to ensure that employees exposed to fall hazards receive specified training in the recognition and control of fall hazards.

DATES: Comments must be submitted by the following dates:

Hard copy: Your comments must be submitted (postmarked or received) by February 25, 2005.

Facsimile and electronic transmission: Your comments must be received by February 25, 2005.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by OSHA Docket No. ICR–1218–0241 (2005), by any of the following methods:

Regular mail, express delivery, hand delivery, and messenger service: Submit your comments and attachments to the OSHA Docket Office, Room N–2625, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210; telephone (202) 693–2350 (OSHA’s TTY number is (877) 889–5627). OSHA Docket Office and Department of Labor hours are 8:15 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., ET.

Facsimile: If your comments are 10 pages or fewer in length, including attachments, you may fax them to the OSHA Docket Office at (202) 693–1648.

Electronic: You may submit comments through the Internet at http://ecommerts.osh.a.gov. Follow instructions on the OSHA Webpage for submitting comments.

Docket: For access to the docket to read or download comments or background materials, such as the complete Information Collection Request (ICR) (containing the Supporting Statement, OMB–43–1 Form, and attachments), go to OSHA’s Web page at http://www.OSHA.gov. Comments, submissions, and the ICR are available for inspection and copying at the OSHA Docket Office at the address above. You may also contact Todd Owen at the address below to obtain a copy of the ICR.

For additional information on submitting comments, please see the “Public Participation—Submission of Comments on This Notice and Internet Access to Comments and Submissions” section of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Public Participation—Submission of Comments on This Notice and Internet Access to Comments and Submissions

You may submit comments and supporting materials in response to this notice by (1) hard copy, (2) fax transmission (facsimile), or (3) electronically through the OSHA Webpage. Because of security related problems, there may be a significant delay in the receipt of comments by regular mail. Please contact the OSHA Docket Office at (202) 693–2350 (TTY (877) 889–5627) for information about security procedures concerning the delivery of materials by express delivery, hand delivery and messenger service.

All comments, submissions and background documents are available for inspection and copying at the OSHA Docket Office at the above address. Comments and submissions posted on OSHA’s Webpage are available at http://www.OSHA.gov. Contact the OSHA Docket Office for information about materials not available through the